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Special Snippets No 1

This is a QFHS eNews like you have never received before. With the library closed and many of our fellow members in self-isolation due to this unprecedented interruption to all of our lives, we are here to offer assistance to you to continue your research online. During this period Snippets will be emailed more often.

Perhaps researching online is a new experience for you. If so, let's make this a 'learning' experience. Let's do this together! We are ready and waiting to assist you.

Fellow members may like to help each other with a problem. That is the social side of QFHS and normally occurs over a cuppa in the kitchen but why not online? [Email](#) details and your query will be included in the next eNews. Hopefully, some interaction with a fellow member/s will follow.

Let's start with the [QFHS website](#)

Logging on to QFHS's webpages is with your membership number as username and your surname as password – the latter must be in lower case. Logging on to MyHeritage via QFHS uses your member number as username and email address as password – it must be the email address listed at QFHS. This will be the one at which you receive Snippets. Click on Not logged in (see below).



MyHeritage has added over 50 million records since the beginning of 2020.

For the latest additions to MyHeritage go [here](#)

Online Access - do check it out!

Commencing in January 2020 we uploaded QFHS data to the website for members to access from home. We now have *Electoral Rolls*, *School Records*, *Cemetery Records*, *Cemetery Transcripts* and more. There are also *Presentations* from some education sessions that you may not have been able to attend. Check them all out [here](#). Note: You will need to login.

We are very proud of this project and it is ongoing. There will be a number of new titles uploaded in the near future. *Watch this space!*

Resources page

[George Bond Collection](#) - A unique photographic collection of 20,000 images of headstones. If you find a cemetery of interest you will be able to check out the photographs from it when the library re-opens.

[QFHS Members' Interests](#) - there are 966 names of family members Perhaps one might be your relative.

[Maps](#) - Are maps a mystery to you? Learn the types of maps that we hold. Some date back to 1842.

[Queensland Family Historian \(eHistorian\)](#) - Our quarterly journal The *Queensland Family Historian* is available online: 2008-2020. Perhaps you are a recent member? You may find a gem to assist your research here. Note: you will need to login.

[Research Guides for Genealogical Research](#) - Lots of links here for you to

follow. Libraries, Archives, Societies and more.

[Useful links](#) – Huge number of links on this page for both Australia and International.

[Subscription journals](#) – QFHS subscribes or exchanges with like minded societies worldwide. Many of these journals are now only available in electronic form. They are a wonderful resource and are available on our website for 12 months. Note: click on electronic journals and login.

[Special Interest Groups](#) – QFHS has 9 Interest Groups and 2 User Groups (Family Tree Maker and The Master Genealogist). Many of these groups have Presentation Notes, Guides and more. Note: you may need to login to view.

Free sites to explore



FamilySearch has a vast array of original records and more, made available at the click of a button, absolutely free.

These include “locked” records, ones that can only be viewed at a FamilySearch or affiliate library such as QFHS.

Wouldn't we all love to see them opened up for the duration — but we understand that even a fast-spreading virus can't rewrite contracts overnight or secure permissions from records custodians who, themselves, are dealing with the virus and all of its concerns.

In the meantime, we have uploaded a quick presentation on how to access FamilySearch, including a huge amount of data that has not yet been digitised and can be difficult to find. You will find it on our website [here](#).



Find and get Australian and online resources: books, images, historic newspapers, maps, music, archives and more

Make sure you have hours to spare if you login to Trove. It is so easy to get lost in the search. Simply use keywords and you will be amazed at what appears. There are new newspapers being added weekly. Always worth a look!

For those regular Trove addicts, Trove is about to be updated, there is a free online webinar to watch at your leisure that describes the coming changes, likely late June 2020. Go to [YouTube](#) for details.

Web Wanderings

For those members who have a personal subscription to Findmypast and Ancestry you might like to check out these new offerings.



[British Army, Women's Army Auxiliary Corps 1917-1920](#)

Explore this amazing collection of records from your ancestor's service with the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps during World War One. There are 525 records for women from outside of the United Kingdom. Many of these women are children of British parents and had moved out of the country.

[British Armed Forces, First World War Disability & Retirement Payments For Officers & Nurses](#)

Do you have an ancestor who was an officer or nurse during the First World War? The records will give details of payments of temporary retired pay and gratuities awarded to invalided officers of the three Services, and to nurses in respect of the disabilities for which they were invalided.

[England & Wales Government Probate Death Index 1858-2019](#)

Did your ancestor die in England or Wales? Search more than 24 million records in the government probate index from 1858 to 2019. The index will give you a person's death date, probate date, residence, next of kin and more.

[Hampshire Baptisms](#)

Discover your ancestors who were baptised in Hampshire County, England between 1752 and 1851. Learn the names of their parents, the year they were born, and the parish they were baptized in. View the [parish list](#) for all the parishes represented in this collection.

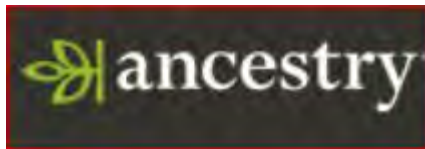
[Hampshire Marriages](#)

Discover your ancestors who were married in Hampshire County, England between 1754 and 1837. Uncover the full names of the bride and groom as well as the specific date and place where they were married. View the [parish list](#) for all the parishes represented in this collection.

[Hampshire Burials](#)

Discover your ancestors who were buried in Hampshire County, England between 1400 and 1850. Learn the date of their death, their age at the time of death, and the parish they were buried in. View the [parish list](#) for all the parishes represented in this collection.

For new/additions to FMP click [here](#)



[New Zealand Cemetery Records 1800 – 2007](#)

These transcriptions of headstones from cemeteries in New Zealand typically include details such as name, birth date, death date, and the cemetery name and plot location. But they may also provide family relationships with name and other details about a spouse, cause of death, military dates, an epitaph, or even a description of the headstone.

For new/additions to Ancestry records go [here](#)

General items of interest

CHINA Inc 2020 Cooktown Field Trip

In conjunction with the 2020 CHINA Inc conference (11th and 12th July 2020) to be held in Cairns, it is proposed to conduct a pre-conference field trip to Cooktown. This will comprise a four day field trip (7th to 10th July 2020) which will allow for one day travel to Cooktown plus another day for the return trip Cooktown to Cairns, leaving two full days to explore Cooktown and its immediate environs and to hear about the area's past, with an emphasis on its Chinese Australian history and heritage.

Although expressions of interest have closed for this trip, you may like to contact the organisers to check if the Conference will be confirmed and if final attendees confirmed. Email: [Gordon Grimwade](#).

GENE TOONS by Wendell Washer



Great Uncle Bertrand didn't have a computer in 1880, so how will you find him on line?

If you have a problem finding your 'Uncle Bertrand' perhaps we can help. Email [here](#)

Acknowledgements

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